

**Billy Stelpflug Detachment #1064
Marine Corps League
Business Meeting Minutes**

Date: 01/15/2022
Location: Trinity Lutheran Church Fellowship Hall
Recorded By: Rudy Vuchinich, Adjutant/Paymaster

Called to Order: 0735 by Robert Jonson, Commandant

Raffle: \$45 won by Mike Carreca and donated back to the Detachment

Attendance: Officers present: Robert C. Jonson, Commandant
Ron D. Russell, Senior Vice Commandant
Michael Carreca, Junior Vice Commandant
Rudy Vuchinich, Adjutant/Paymaster
John J. Reichmann, Sergeant at Arms
Perry Caldwell, Chaplain
John R. Alums, Junior Past Commandant
Harry Hooper, Judge Advocate
Jim Doyle, Webmaster

Officers absent: Ricardo Garcia, Marine for Life

Members present: Bob Jonson, Mike Carreca, Gene Stanaland, Perry Caldwell, John Reichmann, Rusty Alums, Ron Carson, Harry Waites, Charlie Block, Ron Russell, Rudy Vuchinich, Harry Hooper, Jim Doyle, and Matt Wilson

Paymaster Report: Ron Carson and Chris Richie are now official Marine Corps League members. Ricardo Garcia's application is pending his taking of the oath. Current account balance is \$12,303.07. A motion was approved unanimously to reimburse Bob Jonson from Detachment funds for the bar bill from the Birthday Dinner. Check was written for \$2051.03.

Health and Welfare: No new updates.

USMC Birthday Dinner update: Everyone present at the meeting agreed that the USMC Birthday dinner was a success, although some sentiment was expressed to not go back to the Marriott for future events.

Toys for Tots Update: Rusty Alums reported that the Toys For Tots program this year was a resounding success. Over 2000 toys were collected and distributed to over 250 children.

Detachment Bylaw Revision: Harry Hooper, Judge Advocate, reported that the latest revision has been approved.

Recruiting: Junior Vice Commandant Mike Carreca reported that the younger Marines he has talked with regarding membership in the MCL have a lack of interest. Rusty Alums raised the issue of the Detachment having more involvement with the student veteran group at AU. Bob Jonson will send out an email soliciting volunteers to form a committee to work on this issue.

Food Bank: Despite minimal attendance, the Detachment still has a detail at the food bank on the 2nd Wednesday of the month. Rusty Alums will send out email reminders for these dates and hopefully increase attendance.

Officer Nominations: Our nominating committee has identified individuals interested in either continuing in their position or standing for election for the position. A formal slate of officers up for election will be put forward later in the spring.

Distinguished Service Award: Bob Jonson has prepared a Marine Corps League Distinguished Service Award to present to Coach Bruce Pearl for his wonderful contribution to our Toys for Tots Program this past year. Thanks to his assistance we obtained over 2000 toys to distribute to deserving families. Over half of them were given at the Auburn – North Alabama basketball game. Coach Pearl is currently extremely busy and will have time to accept this award after the season is completed.

Covid Testing: Mike Carreca reported that the EAMC has set up Covid testing sites. More information is available on their website.

Financial Audit: Matt Wilson will conduct a financial audit of the Detachment's records.

Social: The next Detachment Social has been scheduled for Tuesday, January 25th, at 5:30 at Venditories restaurant.

Adjourned at 8:55

